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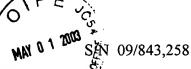
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 17-24.

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REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. Non-elected claims 17-24 are canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 1-16 are pending, with claims 1 and 16 being independent.

Claim rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-15 stand rejected as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. RE37,666 ("Kanekiyo") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,350,628 ("Kugimiya"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.